

**DNR REGULATORY AGENDA FOR SFY 2008**  
**FORM FOR REGULATORY ACTION DESCRIPTION**

**Rule Making Authority**

Director ☐  
Environmental Protection Commission (EPC) ☒  
Natural Resource Commission (NRC) ☐  
Energy & Geological Resource Division ☐

**Title of Regulatory Action**

General permit for regulating controlled discharge lagoons

**Rule Chapter(s) that may be involved**

567 Chapter 64

**Description of Contemplated Regulatory Action**

(Including, to the extent reasonable and practicable, alternatives to be considered and preliminary estimate of costs and benefits of the Action)

This rulemaking action is intended to create a new NPDES General permit for regulating controlled discharge lagoons.

A Fiscal Impact Statement will be prepared and accompany the NOIA.

Costs: Any cost to regulated parties would be minimal.

The benefit of this rulemaking action is to protect water quality. The general permit benefits potential and exiting permittees by reducing the amount of information required in a permit application, eliminates the public notice requirement, and reduces the time needed to obtain a permit. The department benefits because of the reduced staff time needed to process the permit application.

**Legal Basis**

(Include whether action is required by statute or court order)

Iowa Code subsection 455B.173

**Need for Regulatory Action**

(Include if applicable how the action will reduce risk to public health, safety, or the environment)

This rulemaking action is intended to provide adequate protection for both aquatic life and human health through accurate and precise interpretation of the Clean Water Act and Iowa Codes.

**Other Affected/Interested  
Rule Making Authorities**

IDOT, IDPH, EPA, IDALS, DED, Engineering and Land Surveying Board

**Potential Public Groups  
Impacted**

IWRA, city government, county government, parks, County Conservation Board, Iowa Municipal Utilities Association, IEC, Sierra Club, other environmental groups

**Schedule:**

(Actions & month/year)

EPC informational item by 1/08  
Notice of Intended Action to be filed by 02/08  
Public hearings in 05/08  
Final rule to EPC by 01/09

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